



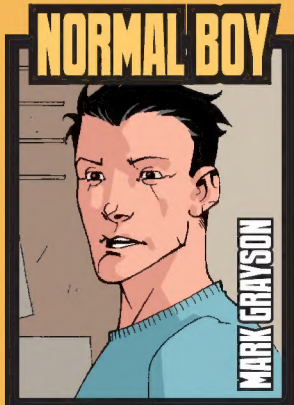
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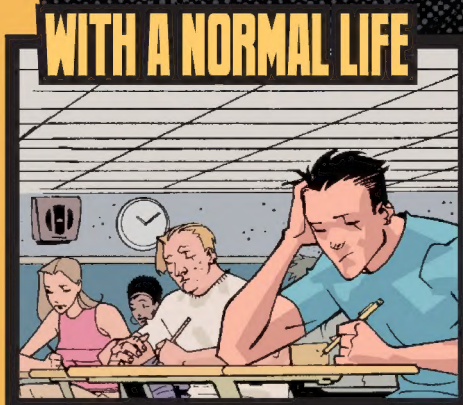


# ONCE THERE WAS A

## NORMAL BOY



## WITH A NORMAL LIFE



## & NORMAL MOM



## BUT HIS DAD WAS...

# THE BEST!



NOLAN WAS A VILTRUMITE, MEMBER OF AN ALIEN RACE OF SUPER PEOPLE. LIVING HERE IN SECRET, HE'S EARTH'S GREATEST SUPERHERO.

## SOON MARK BECAME...

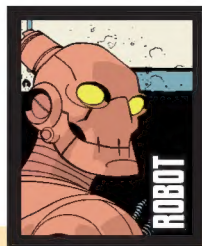


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AS HALF-VILTRUMITE HE GAINED ALL THEIR POWERS!

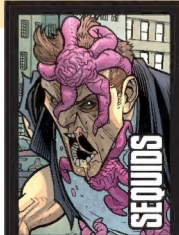
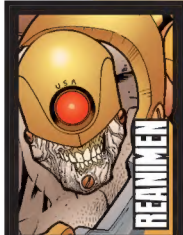


**HE MADE FRIENDS** \*



**& ENEMIES TOO.** \*

\* WAY MORE THAN SHOWN HERE.  
ALL ISSUES AVAILABLE IN PRINT & DIGITAL VERSIONS!



**TURNS OUT HIS DAD  
WAS ACTUALLY...**



**THE  
WORST!**

HE KILLED A BUNCH OF SUPER-HEROES BECAUSE HE WAS REALLY ON A SECRET MISSION TO PREPARE EARTH FOR INVASION BY VILTRUMITES. WTF?!

**AFTER A FATHER/SON DISCUSSION...**

**DAD LEFT**

NOT JUST HIS FAMILY.  
THE ACTUAL PLANET.  
NOLAN FLEW OFF INTO SPACE.





MARK BEGAN  
WORKING FOR



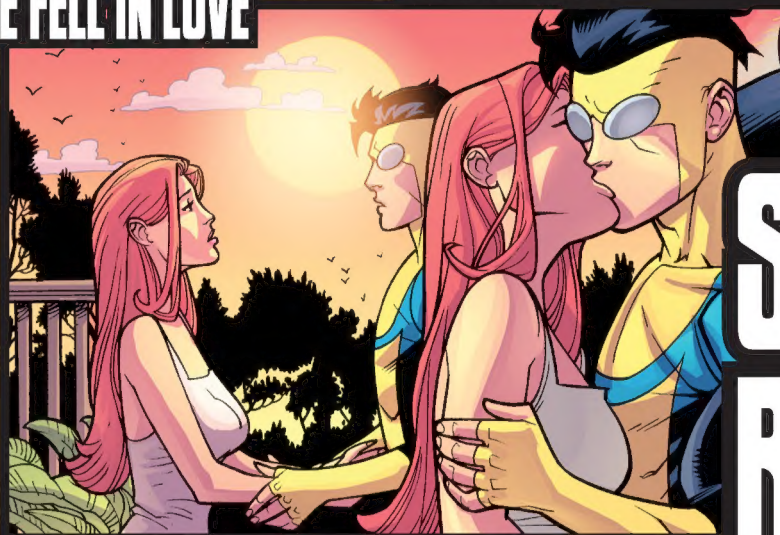
# SAVING ~~THE~~ WORLD



WHAT A  
BUNCH OF  
CRAP.

HE GOT A BRAND NEW COSTUME. THEN WENT BACK TO THE OLD ONE. FASHION!

HE FELL IN LOVE



WITH  
ATOM EVE!  
DUH!

## SO HOT, RIGHT?

ROBOT WATCHED  
HIS FRIEND



NO!

# TOTALLY DIE!

REX SPOLOE SACRIFICED HIMSELF  
TO SAVE INNOCENTS. ROBOT  
(WHOSE CONSCIOUSNESS HAD  
PREVIOUSLY BEEN TRANSFERRED  
INTO A CLONE OF REX) TOOK ON  
REX'S NAME TO HONOR HIM.  
FRIENDSHIP. SAD. CONFUSING.



## NOLAN HAD A CHANGE OF HEART...



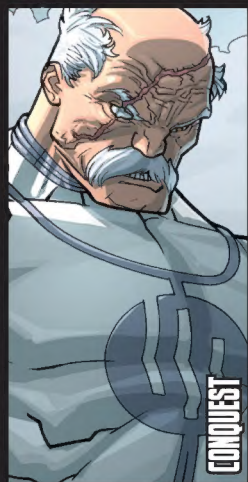
IN LIFE OUR DECISIONS ARE BASED ON A COMPLEX MIX OF EMOTIONS. THIS CAN CAUSE US TO BEHAVE IN BOTH GOOD AND BAD WAYS. SOMETIMES WE DO THINGS THAT WE LATER REGRET. IN THIS WAY NOLAN LEARNED WHAT IT MEANS TO BE HUMAN. THOUGH HE DID KILL ALL THOSE SUPERHEROES.

... & MARK GOT A STEPBROTHER.



MEANWHILE, MARK DID SOME GROWING UP OF HIS OWN. MOSTLY BY

# FIGHTING EVIL!



SO MANY MORE BAD GUYS, IT'S NOT EVEN FUNNY.

## ALLEN GOT AN UPGRADE





# REX & MONSTER GIRL GOT TRAPPED IN ANOTHER DIMENSION.

FOR LIKE  
TOOS OF  
YEARS!?



TIME MOVES DIFFERENTLY  
IN OTHER DIMENSIONS.  
ONLY A SHORT TIME HAD  
PASSED ON EARTH WHILE  
THEY WERE AWAY.

SCIENCE.

# NOLAN BECAME THE VILTRUMITE KING.

HE EVEN HAS A MOON BASE.  
SERIOUSLY, NO JOKE.



FORMER TOP  
VILTRUMITE



WAS NOT HAPPY.

# REX'S TIME AWAY GAVE HIM IDEAS...

NO. I THINK  
MORE ABOUT  
THIS DIMENSION,  
HERE... OUR  
HOME.

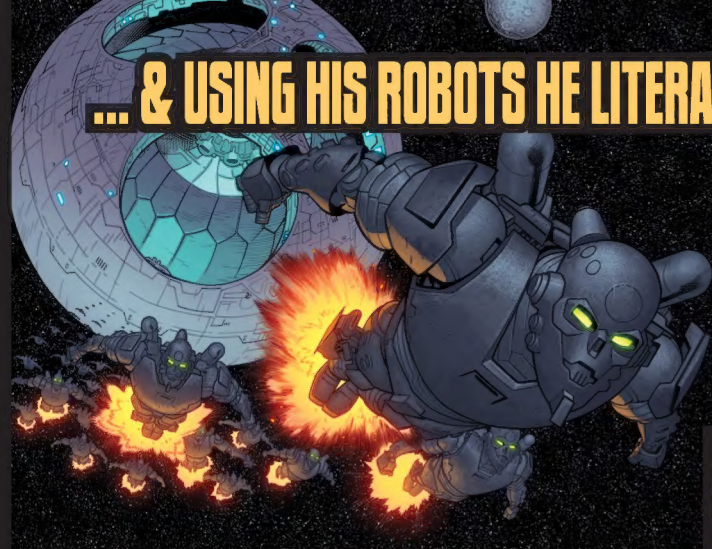
WE FIXED  
THINGS... WE  
REALLY DID. THE  
FLAXANS' WORLD  
WAS TRANSFORMED  
BY US. WE REALLY  
MADE THINGS  
BETTER.

WHY  
WOULDN'T  
WE TRY  
TO DO THAT  
HERE?



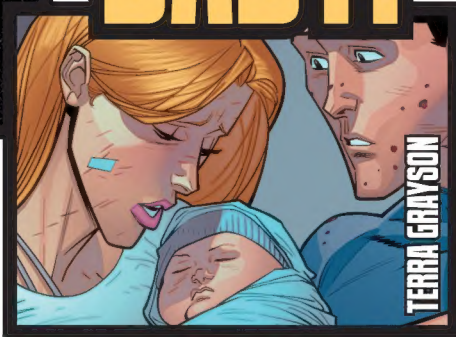


**... & USING HIS ROBOTS HE LITERALLY TOOK OVER THE WORLD.**



**MEANWHILE...**

**BABY!**



**TERRA GRAYSON**

**THEN**

**BATTLE**



**TO SAVE EARTH!**

**...BUT IT WAS NOT ENOUGH, & REX ULTIMATELY WON!**

**MARK & EVE DECIDED TO LEAVE EARTH  
AND START A NEW LIFE...**



**... THAT STORY BEGINS**

**NOW!**



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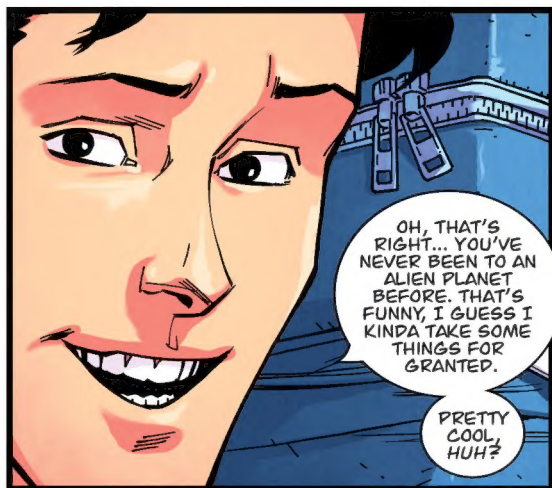
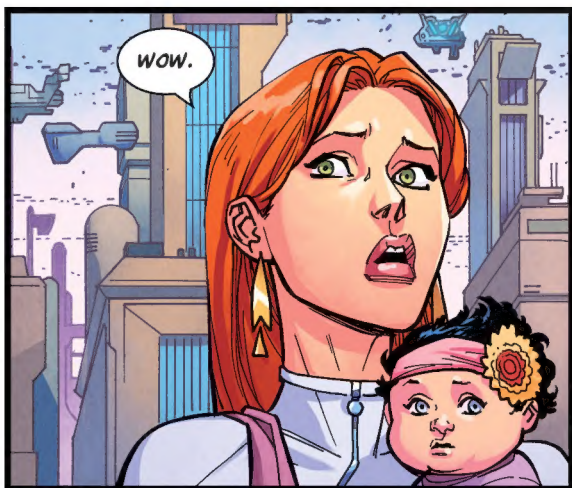
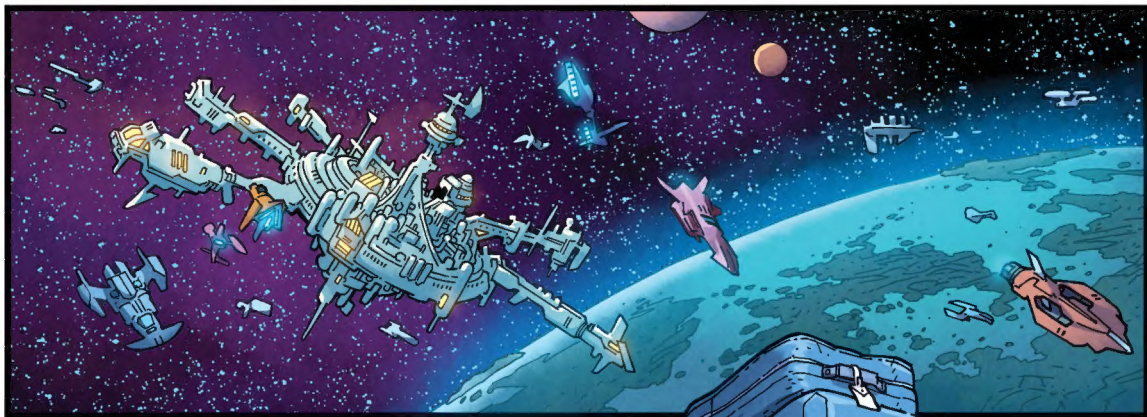
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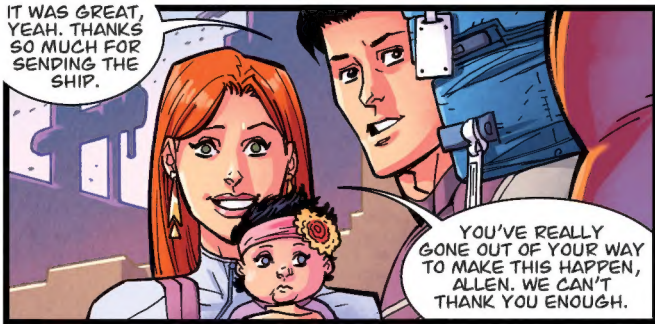




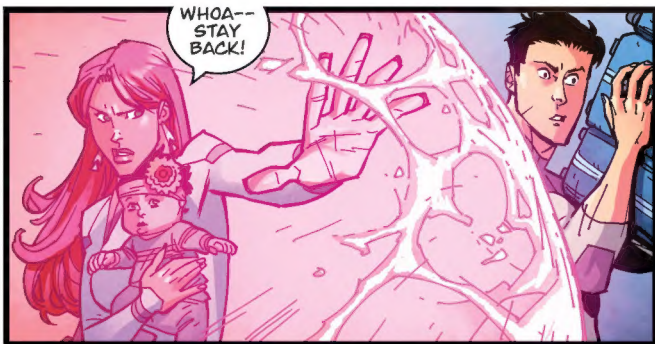
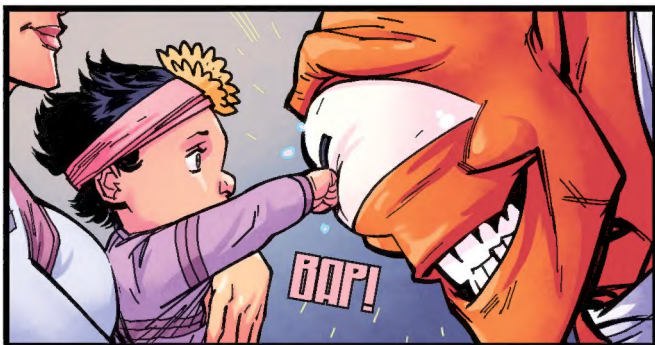
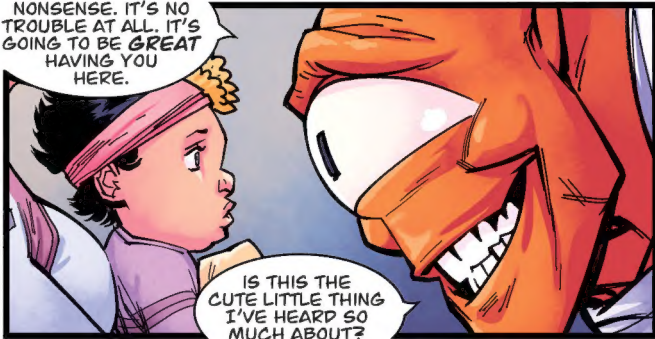




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NONSENSE. IT'S NO TROUBLE AT ALL. IT'S GOING TO BE GREAT HAVING YOU HERE.

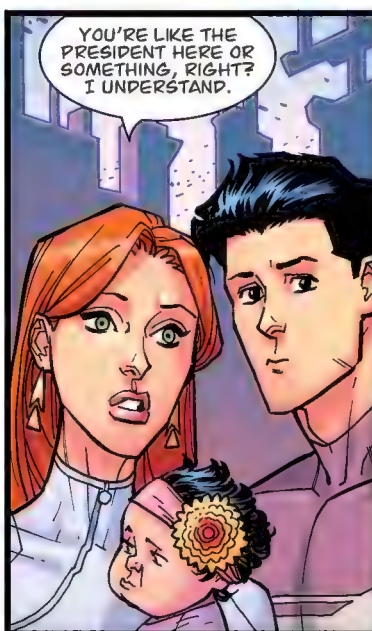






JUST TOOK  
ME OFF GUARD...  
I'M FINE.

SORRY  
ABOUT  
THAT.



YOU'RE LIKE THE  
PRESIDENT HERE OR  
SOMETHING, RIGHT?  
I UNDERSTAND.



YEAH, BUT STILL.  
I'M TOUGHER THAN ALL  
MY GUARDS... SECURITY  
FOR ME IS POINTLESS.  
BUT YEAH, I'M THE HEAD  
OF THE COALITION OF  
PLANETS.

I ACTUALLY DIDN'T  
KNOW IF I'D BE ABLE TO  
GREET YOU TODAY. THERE'S A  
PRETTY IMPORTANT OPERATION  
HAPPENING OFF-WORLD THAT  
I'VE BEEN MONITORING AND...



STOP  
RIGHT  
THERE--  
PLEASE.

LOOK, I'M  
HAPPY TO  
HELP IN TIMES  
WHERE YOU  
REALLY NEED  
ME, BUT I  
THOUGHT WE  
AGREED I  
WASN'T COMING  
HERE TO WORK  
FOR YOU.

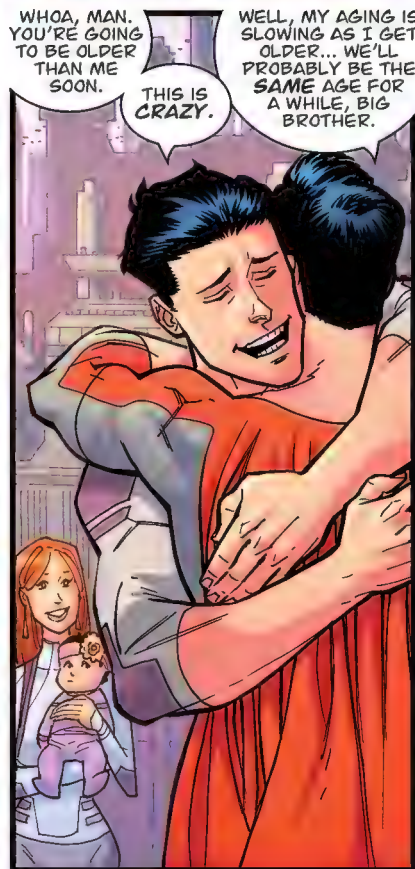


PLEASE DON'T  
MISUNDERSTAND,  
MARK. I KNOW  
YOU'RE STEPPING  
BACK, RAISING  
YOUR  
DAUGHTER.

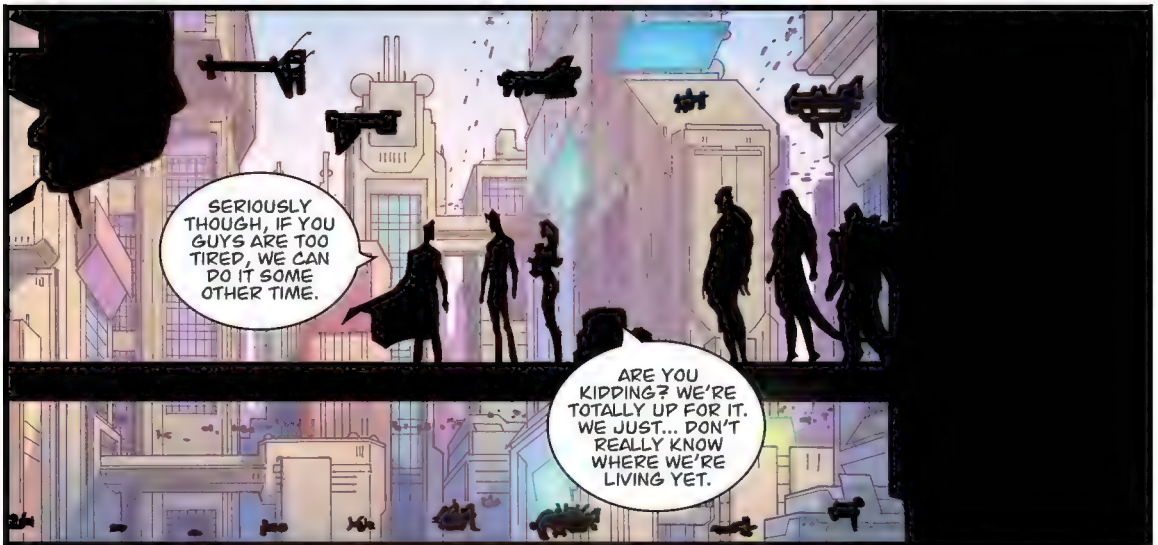
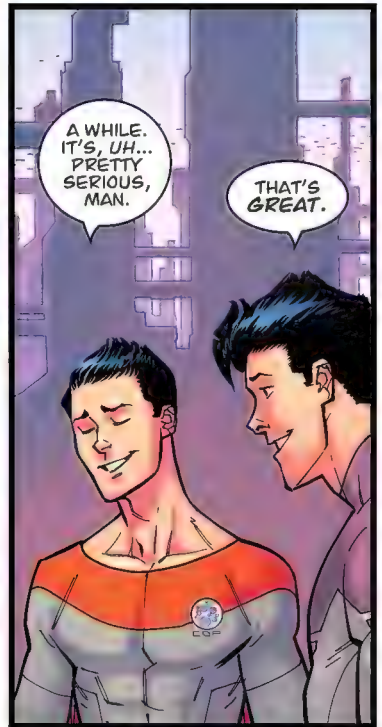
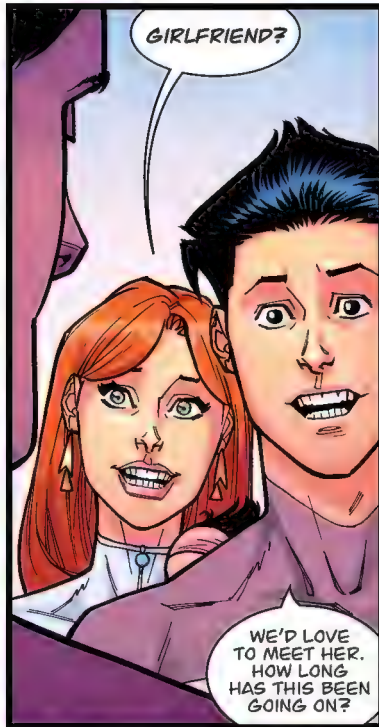
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SAYING I'D  
SENT SOMEONE  
ELSE TO MEET  
YOU.

AND I  
WOULD  
HAVE BEEN  
LATE!

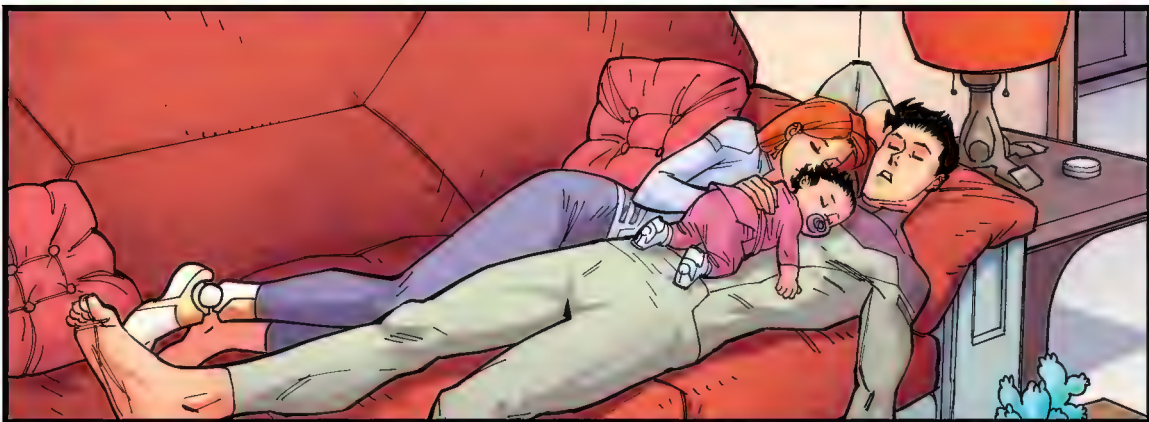
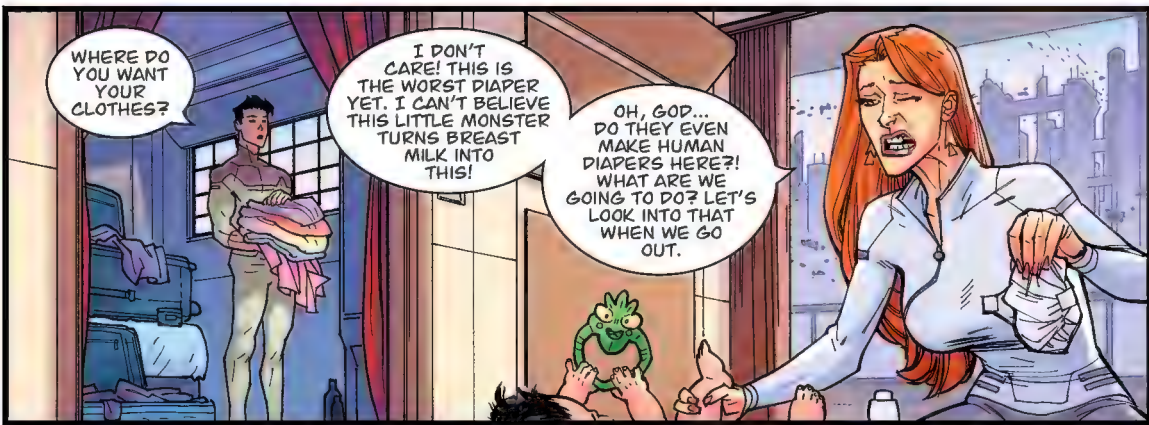
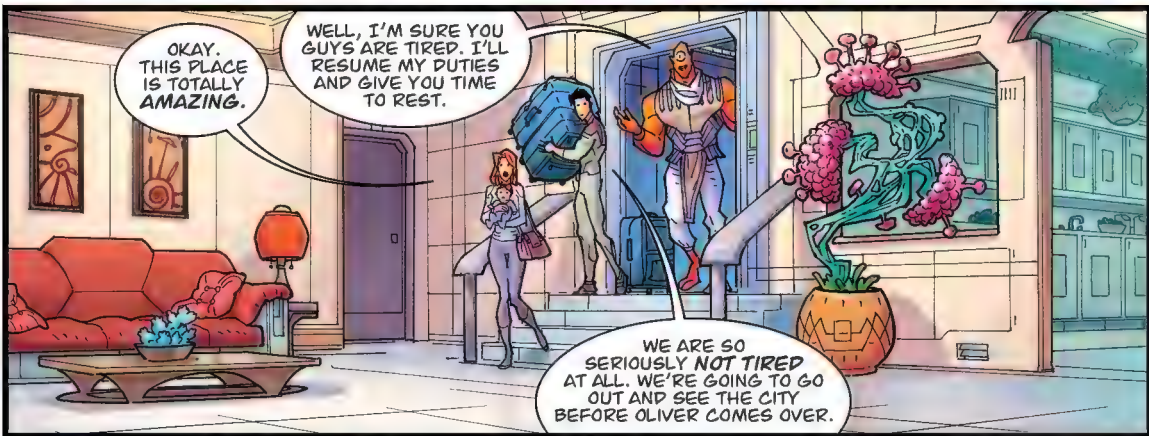




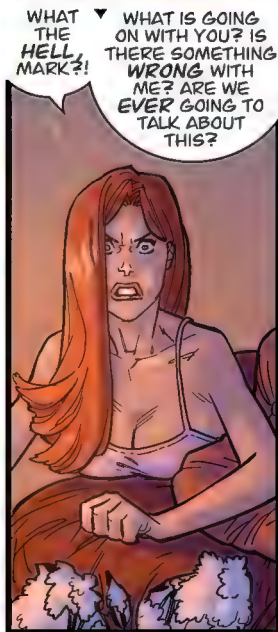
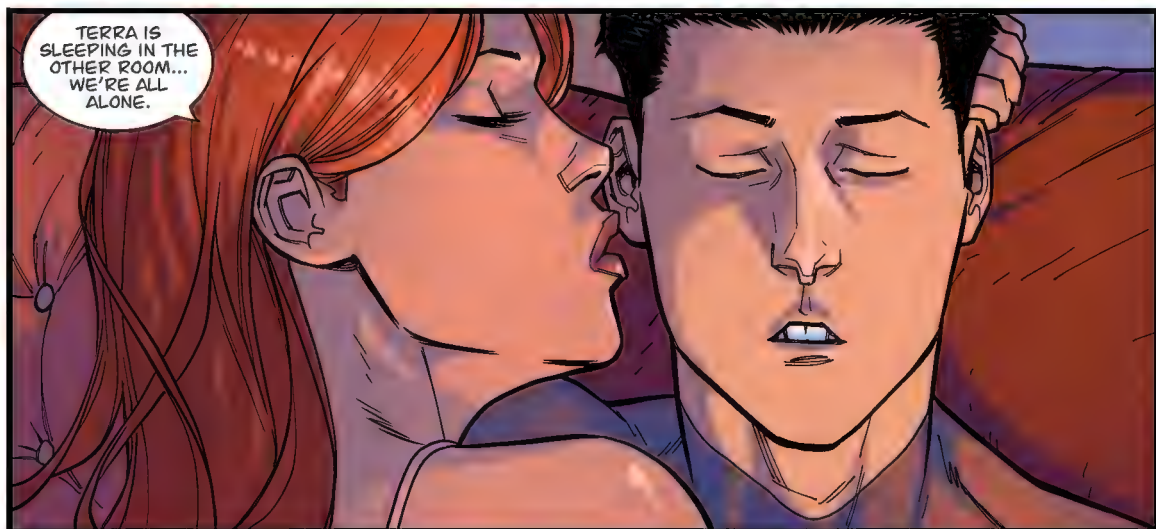
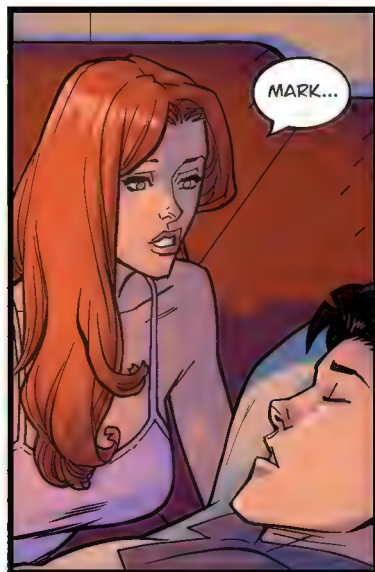
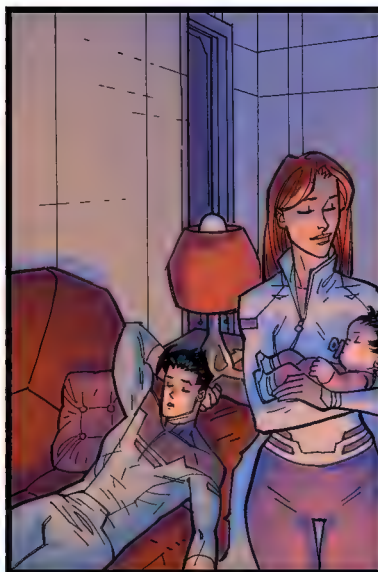
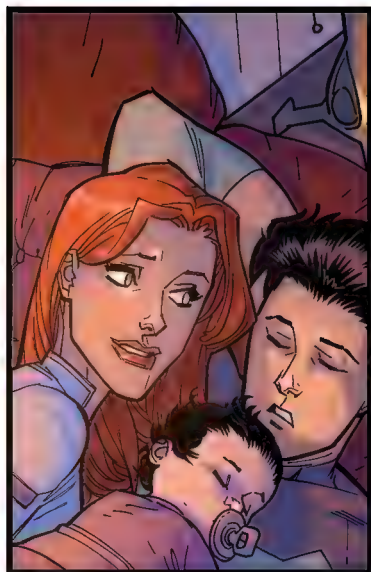




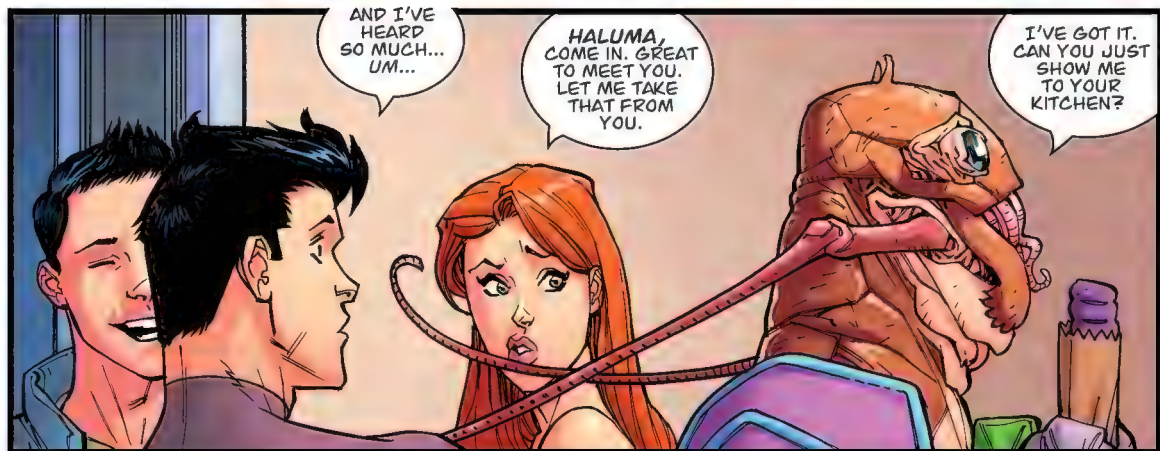
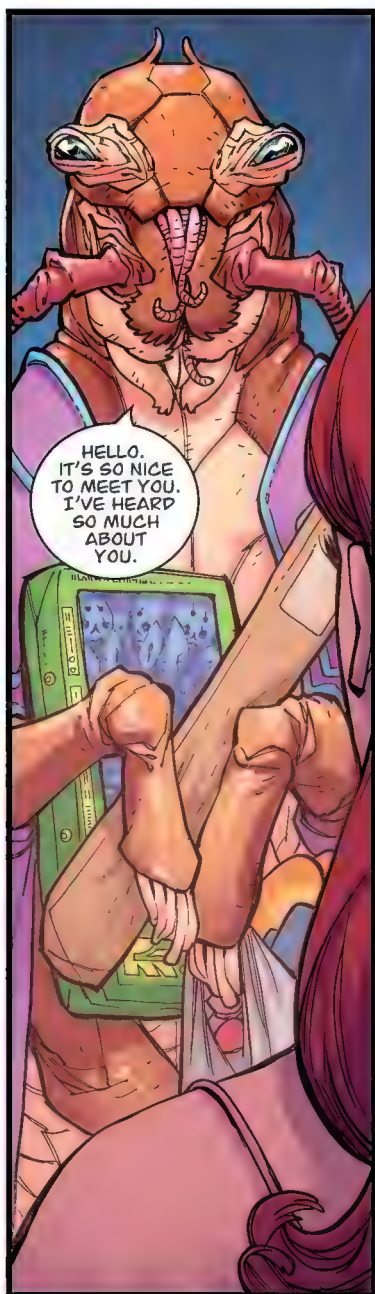




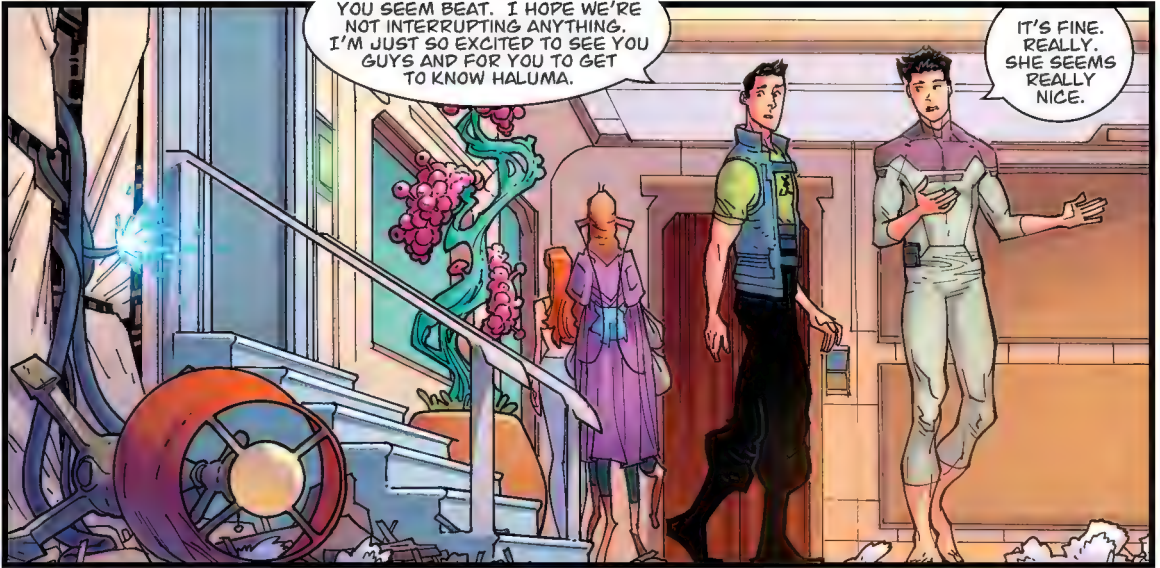












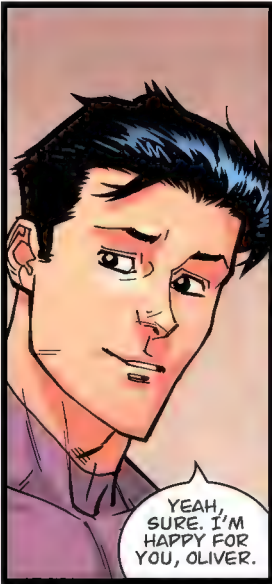
YOU SEEM BEAT. I HOPE WE'RE NOT INTERRUPTING ANYTHING. I'M JUST SO EXCITED TO SEE YOU GUYS AND FOR YOU TO GET TO KNOW HALUMA.

IT'S FINE. REALLY. SHE SEEMS REALLY NICE.

I KNOW SHE DOESN'T SEEM LIKE THE IDEAL MATE TO YOU... BUT I THINK NOW YOU GET A SENSE OF HOW I SAW EVERYONE ON EARTH DURING MY TIME THERE.



HALUMA REALLY DOES IT FOR ME.



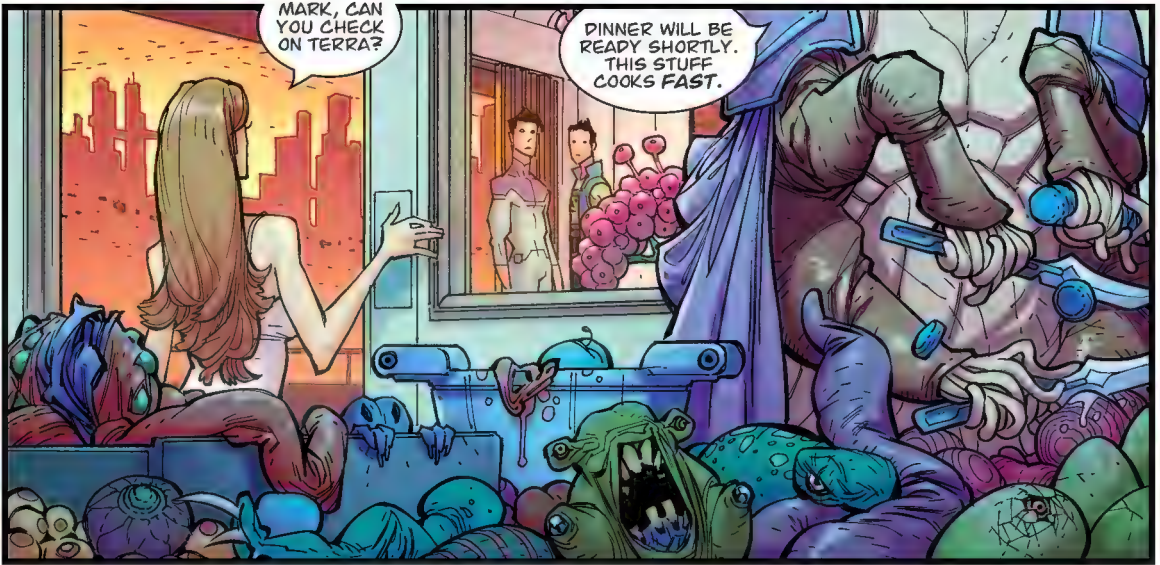
YEAH, SURE. I'M HAPPY FOR YOU, OLIVER.



I MEAN... DID YOU SEE THOSE MANDIBLES?



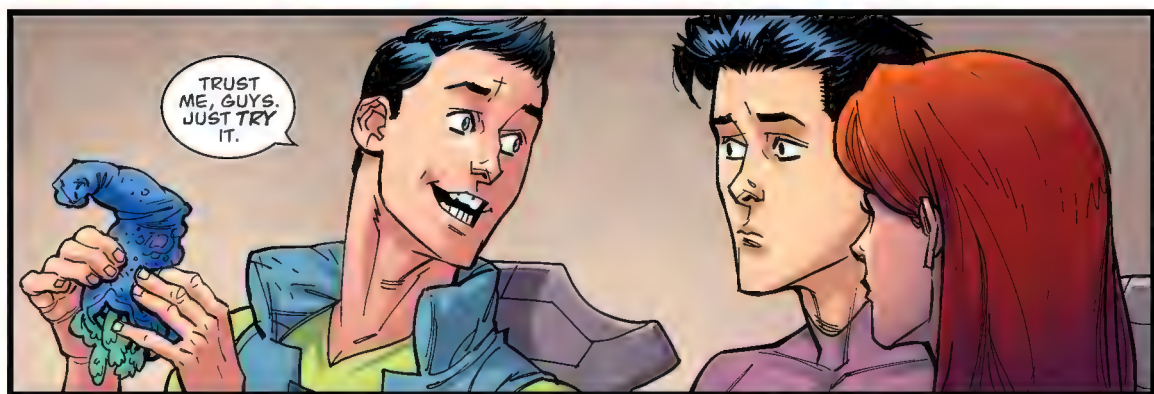
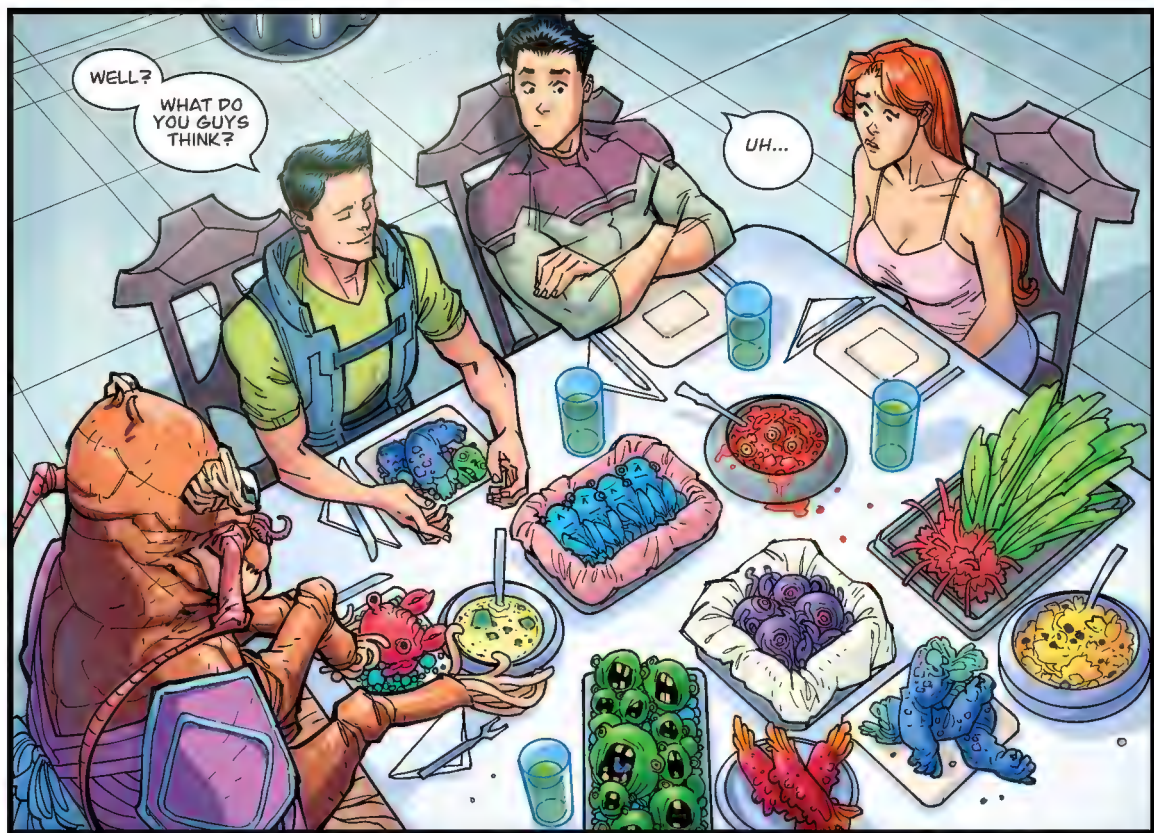
THEY'RE, UH... VERY NICE.



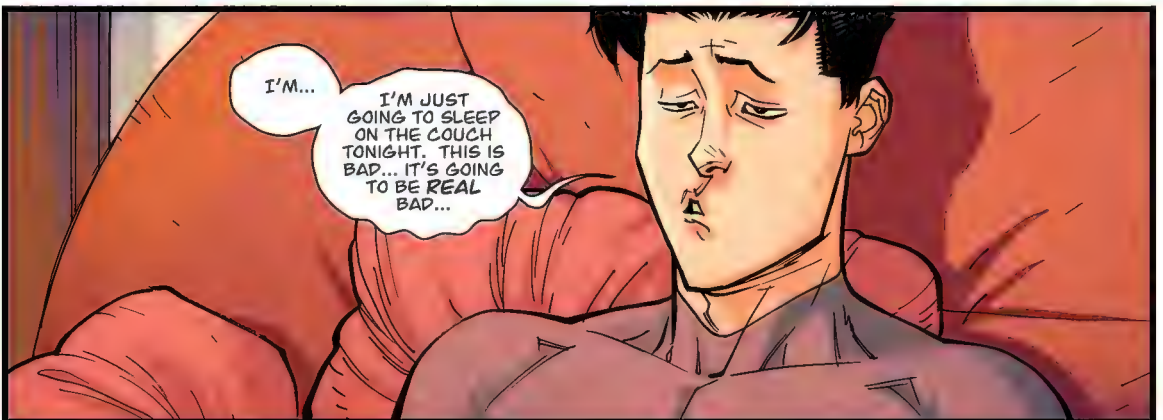
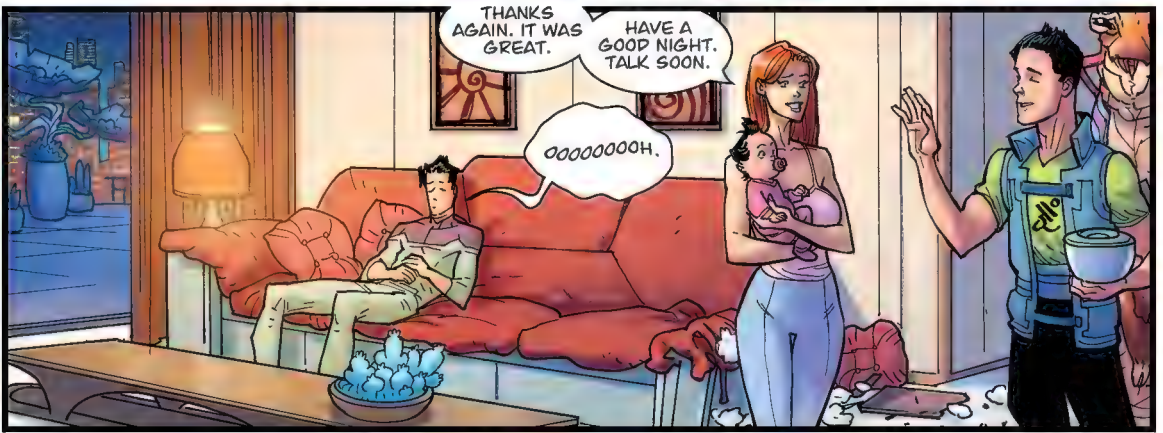
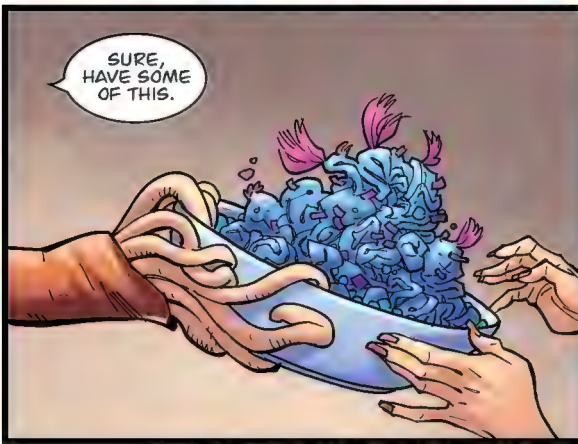
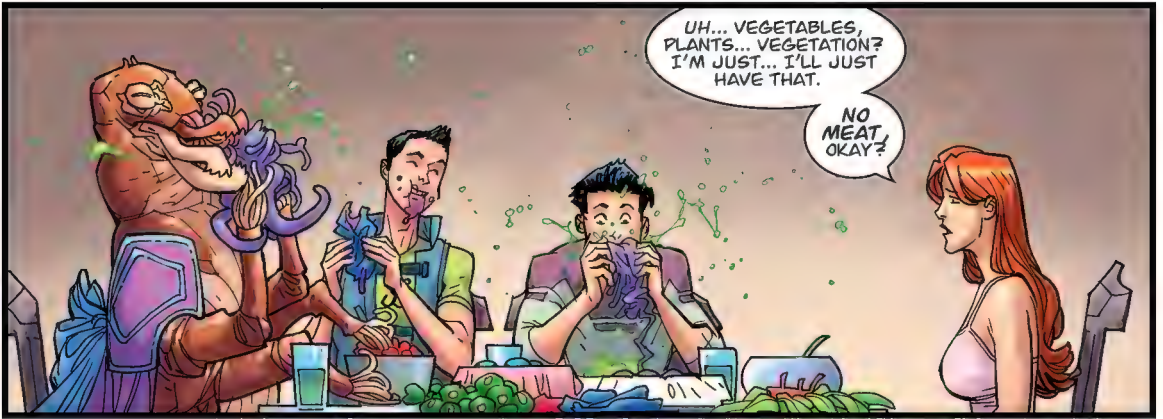
MARK, CAN YOU CHECK ON TERRA?

DINNER WILL BE READY SHORTLY. THIS STUFF COOKS FAST.



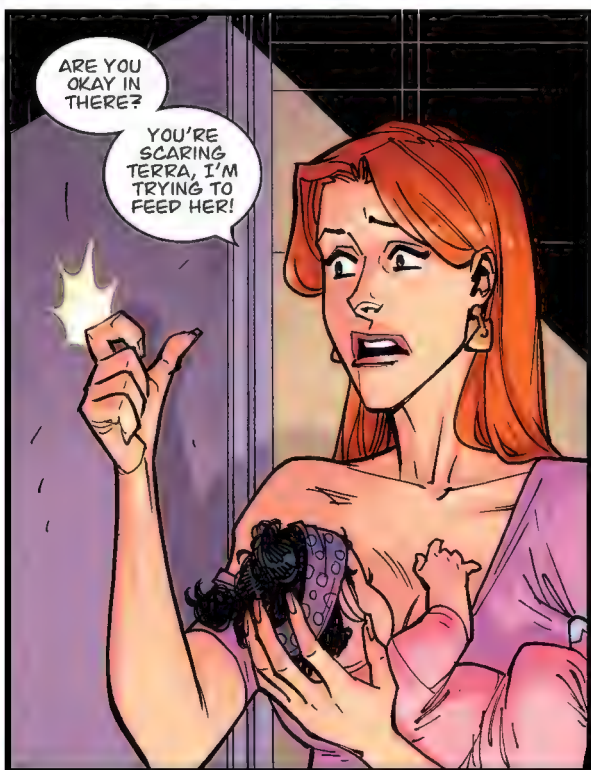




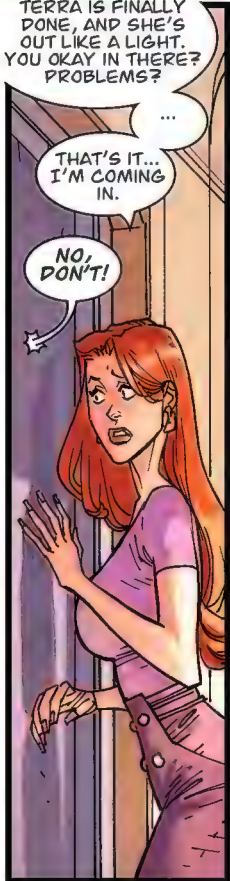
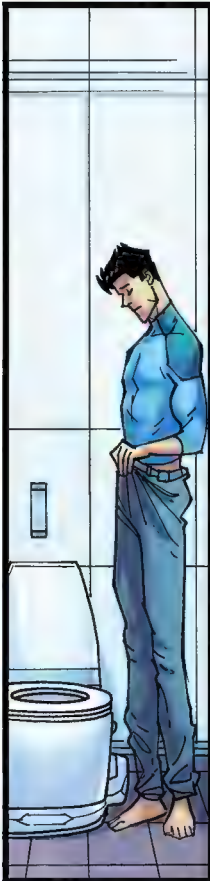




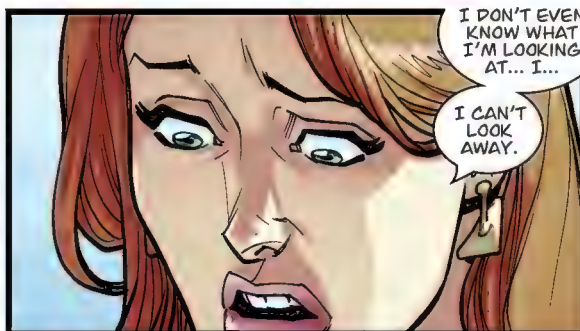
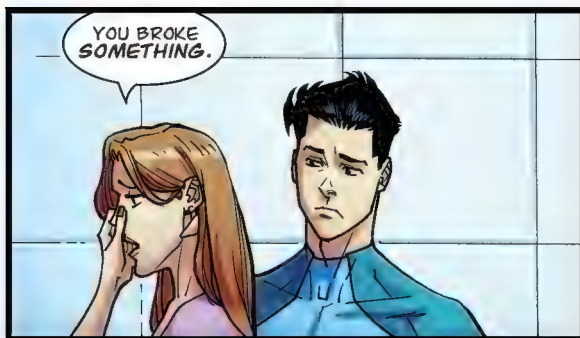
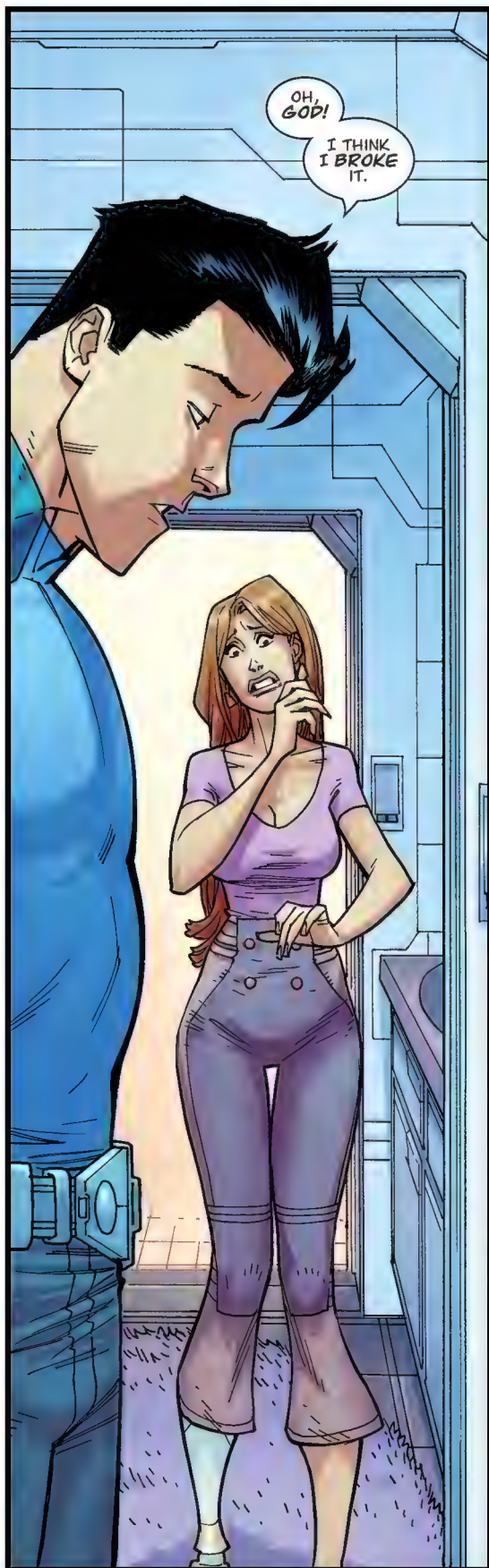
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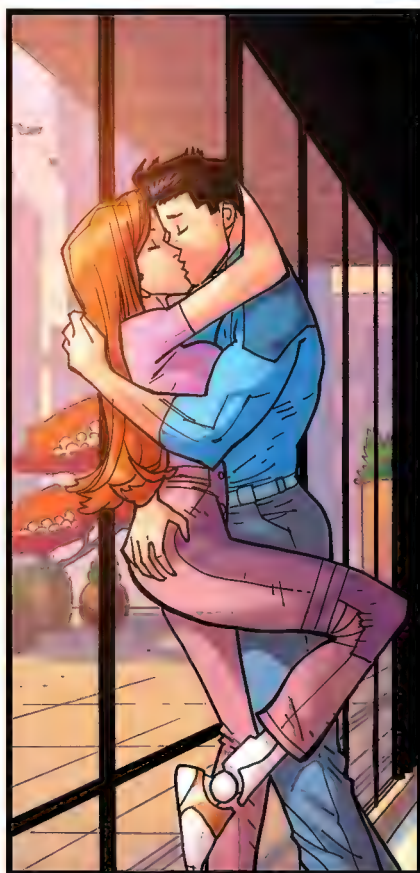
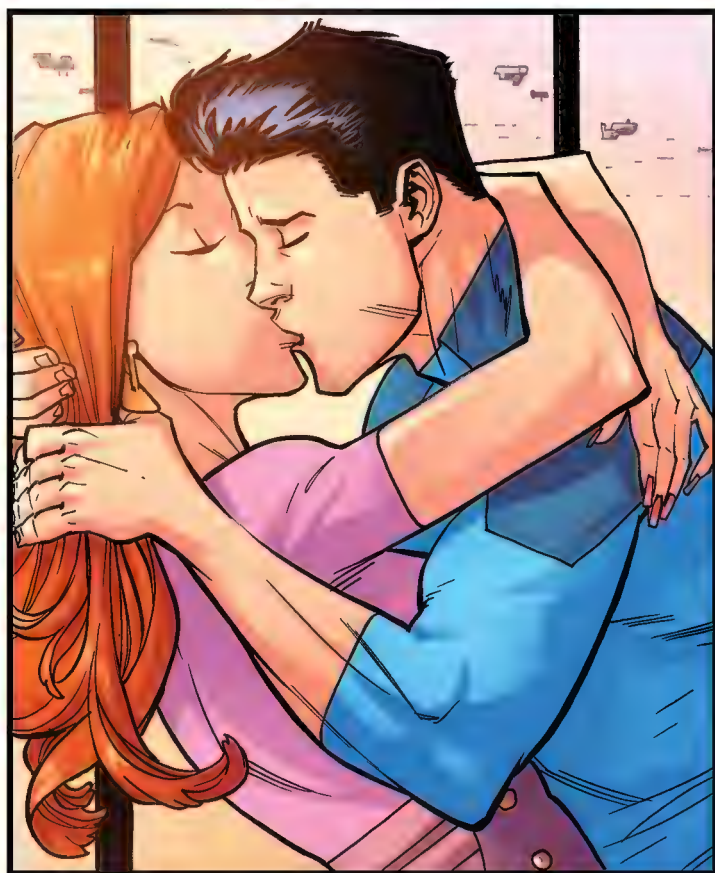
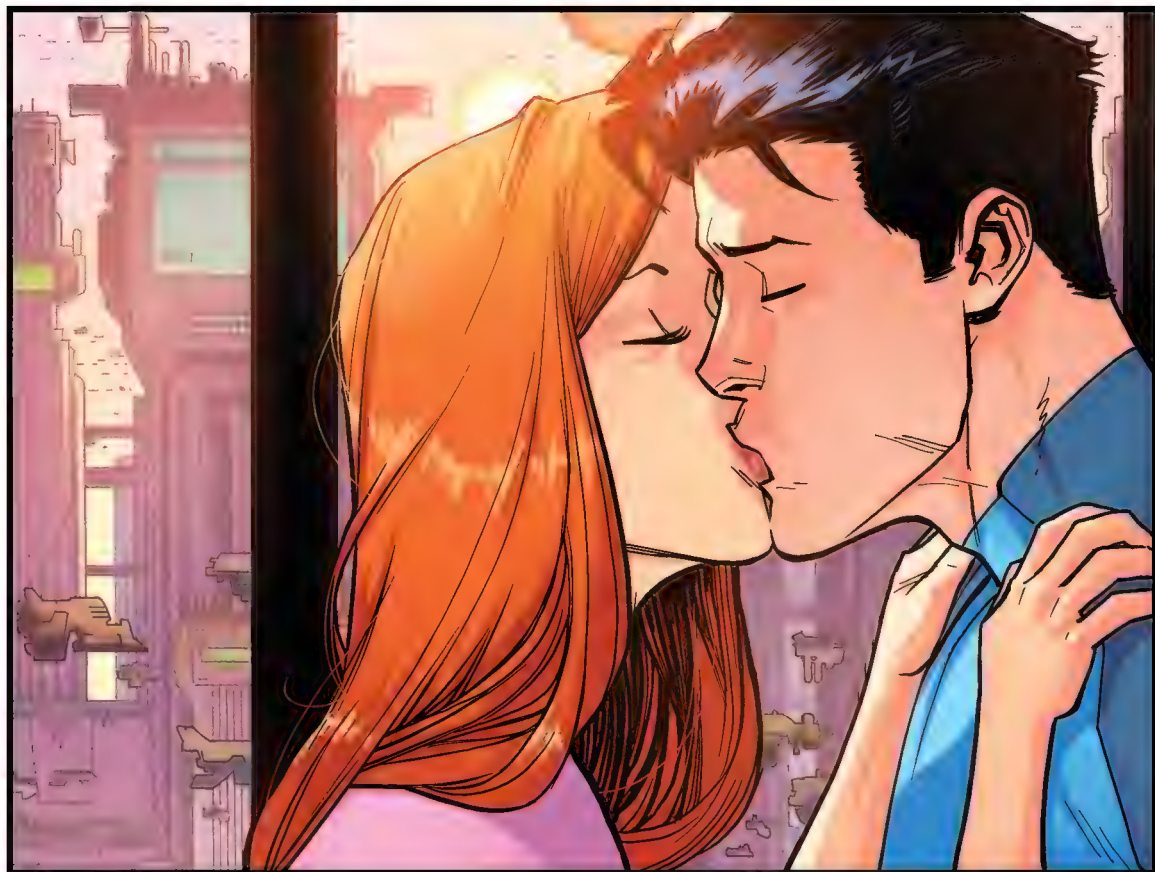




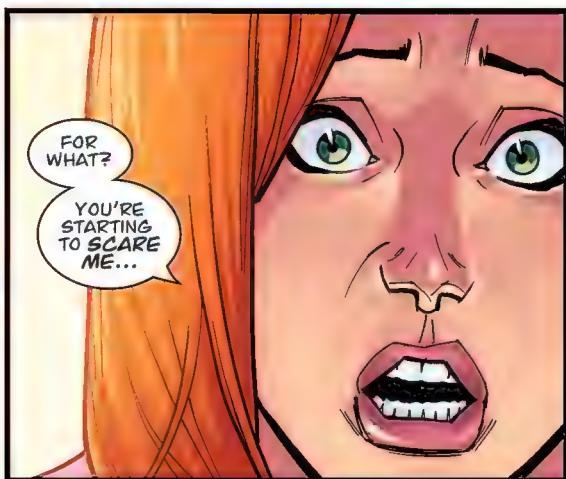
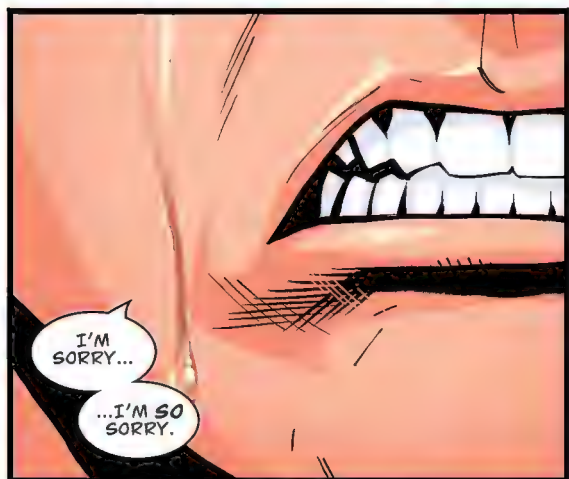
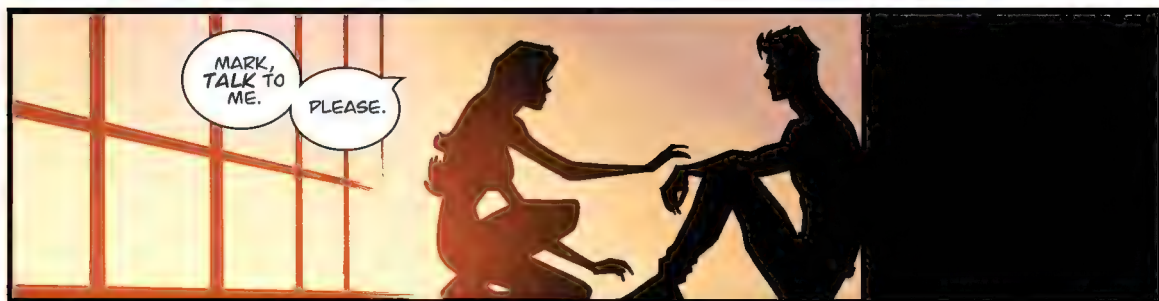
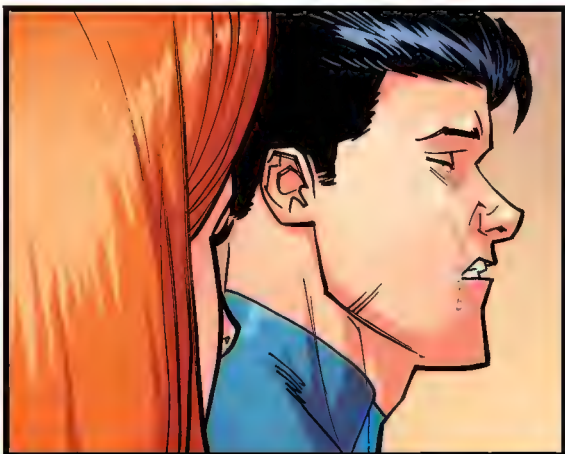
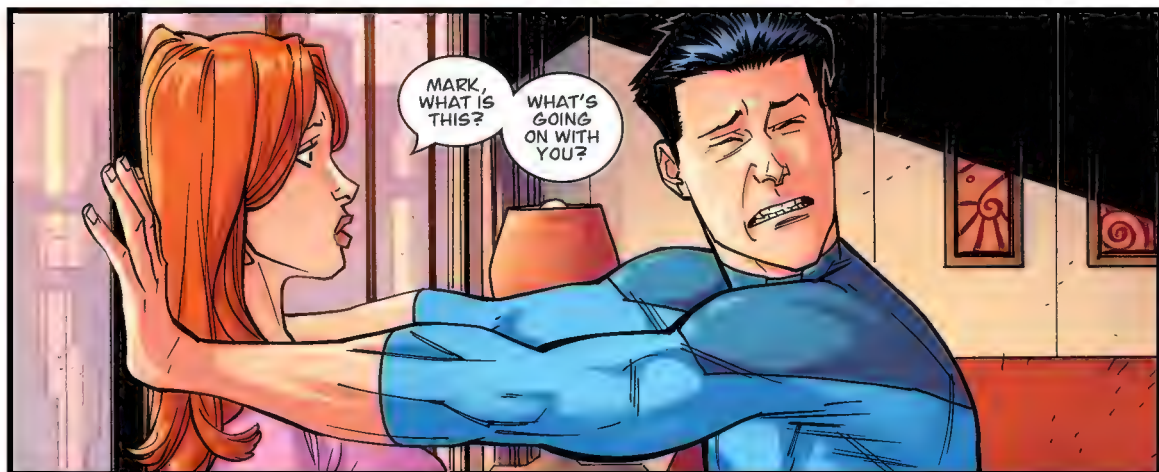
















ANISSA,  
SHE...  
FORCED  
HERSELF  
ON ME.

SHE  
RAPED  
ME.



WHAT?



I'D JUST  
GOTTEN BACK  
AND... YOU'D  
BROKEN UP WITH  
ME. SHE FOUND  
ME. SHE...  
ATTACKED  
ME.

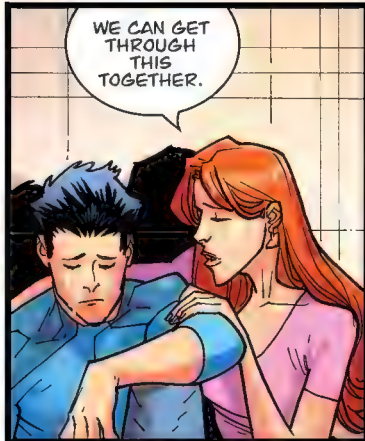
I'D  
REFUSED  
HER IN THE  
PAST, I NEVER  
TOLD YOU ABOUT  
IT... THIS TIME...  
SHE JUST  
WOULDN'T  
STOP.



I'M...  
MARK,  
I'M SO  
SORRY.

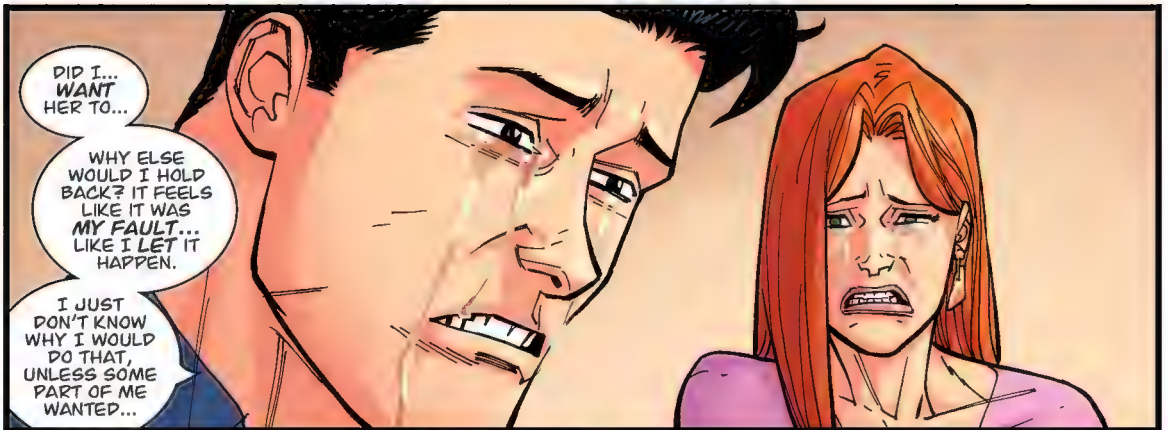


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WE CAN GET  
THROUGH  
THIS  
TOGETHER.













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*BIRTHRIGHT, THIEF OF THIEVES, MANIFEST DESTINY, TECH JACKET and GHOSTED are all pretty good as well.*

*I'm assuming you're already reading THE WALKING DEAD or OUTCAST... or have checked them out and decided they're not your thing. That's cool. I understand not every book is for everyone.*

Robert

I'm writing this after just finishing issue 116, and I have to say that I loved it! To me, this issue was the end of an era, but it was also the start of beautiful new era for the invincible universe! I can't wait to see what's next and want to thank you for making Invincible and Tech Jacket my friend stu's (BFF from tech jacket #7 letter column and hopefully invincible 117 column) favorite series as well as my own. We both love everything you are doing and will never stop reading either books. We had one question though, since Invincible's going sci-fi, will we not see mark wearing his yellow and blue costume anymore? Because we love that suit and would hate to see it go away. As always, rock on and keep doing what you are doing.

Liam aka Invincble and Tech Jacket's #1 fan

and proud friend of Stu(their #2 fan)

*Mark won't be wearing the yellow and blue anytime soon, but that doesn't mean we've seen the last of it.*

Dear Invincible Team,

Issue 116 was incredible. I suppose a lot of people would call it a "slow" issue or "transitioning" or whatever, but what I see is the fruition of years of long form story telling. And from side characters, too! Starting with William who, along with Rick, has become the "normal" to Mark and Eve's insane life. William candidly presents the opinion of every average Joe in America at that moment, and the scenes of Robot pulling the strings behind him added a dark irony. Nolan and Debbie have come a strange full circle. The way Nolan talks about earthlings makes their relationship seem slightly unbalanced. I guess Debbie doesn't mind. What I really love, though, is how the Immortal has changed throughout the series. Sometimes at odds with Mark, he now comes to him as perhaps the only possible ally he has. We have seen the Immortal put through so much with his age. To me, that is the moral question of this book. Can you live an ungodly long time and still be a good person? The Immortal invigorates Mark to talk to his dad about a resistance, but he is quickly shot down. Then Mark is reminded of Anissa and her persistence. All this culminates in Mark's decision to leave Earth. The beauty and mastery of this issue is in the way Mark's decision is influenced throughout it, as if it were one big play.

And it might just be me, but I don't mind if somehow Battlebeast and Thragg get an X factor healing gene and fight for the rest of the series. Two splash pages per issue, please?

Thanks for being amazing,  
Jacob Bigus  
Kansas City, MO



No Beast-Thragg this issue... but that fight will come to an ASTONISHING finish relatively soon.

*Or will it?!*

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Dear Invincible Staff,

First, I'd like to start off by saying the series has been a blast to read. I just finished reading Invincible issue #116 and so many questions are flourishing in my head. With Invincible and Eve going off into space does that mean they're going to meet up with old friends, like, Allen, Oliver, and/or Tech Jacket.

Yes, yes, no idea. That'd be cool, though.

It's certainly POSSIBLE Tech Jacket could show up.

Plus, if he's in space could we possibly see a crossover with Tech Jacket in his book or vice versa? So many questions keep rising, but those are the big ones I wanted to ask. Keep up the great work.

Your fan,  
Kevin

No crossovers between titles planned. Over in his title, Tech Jacket's currently trying to prevent the destruction of the galaxy while Mark's a million miles away, becoming a family man.

*If you're missing the WHITE HOT ACTION this book has sometimes had (and will have again eventually), do give TECH JACKET a shot.*

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Is Eve going to keep the prosthetic or is she going to be able to heal it and create a new one like she did to her stomach when conquest punched a whole in it?

*Well, she can only affect organic living matter when she's near death and it short-circuits the block placed on her abilities. But I will say Oliver certainly has better-looking prosthetics than she does. He has an artificial arm and JAW if you'll recall.*

In your last issue #116 you mentioned three funerals not four. So did Shapesmith really die? Or did he somehow fake his death?

There were only three funerals scheduled for that day. Shapesmith is really and truly dead.

Truly. And I already miss him.

Big fan,

Phil

P.S. Are you going to do anything with the Green Ghost talisman? Because it hasn't been mentioned and if it was such a great object to give someone great enough power to be in the guardians of the globe someone should have taken it, like those kids who dug up Immortal to drink from his skull.

*I had big plans for it when it was introduced, but I never got around to it.*

*There's always time. It's not a priority, but it's possible it would crop back up. Eventually I had plans for every member of the original Guardians team. There was going to be a new Green Ghost, Red Rush, War Woman, etc... not just Darkwing. The idea was to take the rough concepts and bring more "original" characters out of them (because the original team was basically Justice League analogs). The idea was to do something similar to the way that Shapesmith became the new Martian Man without being anything like Martian Man.*

*In the end... we just moved on to different stuff. But those ideas are still there.*

*For now, I'm just going to say the Jade Gem (or whatever it was called) is in The Immortal's trophy cabin, tucked away safely.*

New readers: check out INVINCIBLE Ultimate Collection 1 to get a better idea what we're talking about. Don't be scared, it's only comics!

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See all of you next month, where we learn Terra's fate... (she's gonna be alright, right?)

-Sean Mackiewicz

Well... maybe. You'll just have to get the next issue to find out.

-Robert Kirkman

## NEXT ISSUE



Mark and Eve take their daughter to the emergency room on an alien planet... which is all kinds of trouble. How long will Mark's domestic life be allowed to continue? Trouble is brewing worlds away.



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